

LITURGY OF THE WORD

All are seated for the readings.

Apocalypse (Revelation) 19:1, 5-9

After this I heard what seemed to be the loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, crying, "Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, And from the throne came a voice crying, "Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, small and great." Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder peals, crying, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; it was granted her to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure" - for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. And the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." And he said to me, "These are true words of God."

Psalm 102

Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits.

Response: The Lord is compassion and love.

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

As a father pities his children,
so the Lord pities those who fear him.

But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting
upon those who fear him,

and his righteousness to children's children, to those who keep his
covenant

and remember to do his commandments.

Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trodden under foot by men. "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

RITE OF MARRIAGE

All stand, including the Bride and Groom.

BLESSING AND EXCHANGE OF RINGS

The Priest now blesses the rings.

C: May the Lord bless + these rings
which you give to each other
as a sign of your love and fidelity.

R: Amen.

The Groom places his Bride's ring on her finger, saying :

G: Martha, I give you this ring as a sign of our marriage: with my
body I honour you, all that I am I give to you, and all that I
have I share with you.

Amen.

The Bride places her Groom's ring on his finger, saying:

B: Bryce, I give you this ring as a sign of our marriage: with my
body I honour you, all that I am I give to you, and all that I
have I share with you,
In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

BIDDING PRAYERS

The Priest says the Bidding Prayers:

C: ... Lord, hear us.

R: Lord, graciously hear us.

THE NUPTIAL BLESSING

The Bride and Groom kneel before the Priest. The people remain standing.

C: Now let us humbly invoke...

All pray silently for a short while. Extending his hands, the Priest prays:

C: Holy Father... through Christ our Lord.

R: Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Priest greets the congregation, and extending his hands, says:

C: The Lord be with you.

R: And also with you.

(The Priest extends his hands over the congregation during the Solemn blessing, if used):

C: And may the blessing of Almighty God,
the Father, + and the Son,
and the Holy Spirit,

come down upon you and remain with you for ever.

R: Amen.